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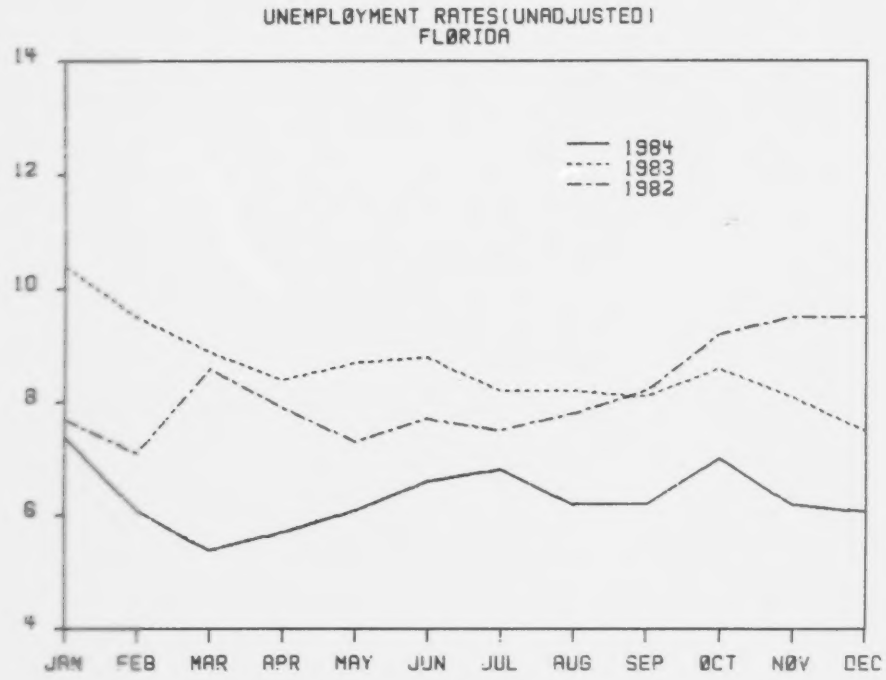

LABOR FORCE SUMMARY

State of Florida	December 1984	November 1984	December 1983
Civilian Labor Force	5,187,800	5,144,200	5,100,500
Employment	4,871,900	4,824,000	4,718,800
Unemployment	315,800	320,200	381,700
Unemployment Rate	6.1	6.2	7.5

Note: Data are taken from the monthly results of the Current Population Survey (CPS) and are primarily for use in allocation of money under various federal programs. Data are not seasonally adjusted.

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NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT: Employment in Florida's nonagricultural establishments increased by 27,000 jobs (0.6 percent) from November to December 1984. All major industries except construction and transportation, communication and public utilities experienced over-the-month increases. Total employment has risen by 210,400 (5.2 percent) since December 1983.

In manufacturing, monthly gains outweighed losses in both the durable and nondurable goods industries. Of the 3,500 increase in manufacturing jobs, nondurable goods accounted for 2,500, of which food and kindred products made up 52 percent of the advance.

Construction experienced a decline over-the-month, down 600 jobs. General building contractors declined by 1,700 jobs while heavy construction and special trade contractors increased by 1,100.

In wholesale and retail trade, seasonal influences on employment were evident as there was an increase of 18,400 jobs for the month. Retail trade contributed 88 percent (16,200) of the growth found in total trade. Much of the increase was due to more workers needed to meet the increased demand of the Christmas season. General merchandise stores rose by 7,000 jobs, followed by eating and drinking places, up 2,500. Apparel and accessory stores, and miscellaneous retail stores were both up 2,300. The remaining industries, mining, finance, insurance and real estate, services, and government increased over-the-month by 100, 2,100, 1,400 and 2,100 jobs respectively.

LABOR MARKET TRENDS
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FLORIDA	Employment			Change to Current Month			
	December P 1984	November 1984	December 1983	Month Ago No.	Month Ago %	Year Ago No.	Year Ago %
Wholesale & Retail Trade	1,173,800	1,155,400	1,109,400	18,400	1.6	64,400	5.8
Wholesale Trade	240,800	238,600	231,000	2,200	0.9	9,800	4.2
Wholesale Trade Durable Goods	146,400	144,900	139,500	1,500	1.0	6,900	4.9
Wholesale Trade Nondurable Goods	94,400	93,700	91,500	700	0.7	2,900	3.2
Retail Trade	933,000	916,800	878,400	16,200	1.8	54,600	6.2
Building Materials & Garden Supplies & Mobile Home Dealers	35,600	36,000	36,700	- 400	1.1	- 1,100	- 3.0
General Merchandise Stores	125,000	118,000	119,900	7,000	5.9	5,100	4.3
Food Stores	159,600	158,700	148,200	900	0.6	11,400	7.7
Automotive Dealers & Service Stations	98,900	97,800	93,600	1,100	1.1	5,300	5.7
Apparel & Accessory Stores	51,100	48,800	48,500	2,300	4.7	2,600	5.4
Furniture & Home Furnishings	42,600	42,100	39,300	500	1.2	3,300	8.4
Eating & Drinking Places	316,400	313,900	294,500	2,500	0.8	21,900	7.4
Miscellaneous Retail	103,800	101,500	97,700	2,300	2.3	6,100	6.2
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	319,200	317,100	297,600	2,100	0.7	21,600	7.3
Banking	69,300	69,600	65,000	- 300	-0.4	4,300	6.6
Credit Agencies Other than Banks	53,900	53,600	49,900	300	0.6	4,000	8.0
Insurance Carriers	49,200	49,000	46,100	200	0.4	3,100	6.7
Insurance Agents, Brokers, & Service	29,800	29,500	26,000	300	1.0	3,800	14.6
Real Estate	96,500	95,100	90,500	1,400	1.5	6,000	6.6
Services /2	1,035,000	1,033,600	987,900	1,400	0.1	47,100	4.8
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	98,900	98,100	97,300	800	0.8	1,600	1.6
Personal Services	51,400	50,700	49,600	700	1.4	1,800	3.6
Business Services	190,700	194,700	181,300	- 4,000	-2.1	9,400	5.2
Auto Repair, Services, & Garages	41,600	41,000	37,600	600	1.5	4,000	10.6
Miscellaneous Repair Services	19,000	18,700	18,700	300	1.6	300	1.6
Motion Pictures	6,700	6,700	7,100	0	0.0	- 400	- 5.6
Amusement & Recreation Services	73,900	71,300	69,600	2,600	3.6	4,300	6.2
Health Services	272,200	271,000	267,400	1,200	0.4	4,800	1.8
Legal Services	39,900	39,600	36,200	300	0.8	3,700	10.2
Educational Services	45,100	46,200	42,100	- 1,100	-2.4	3,000	7.1
Miscellaneous Services	57,900	57,700	51,700	200	0.3	6,200	12.0
Total Government	661,900	659,800	643,200	2,100	0.3	18,700	2.9
Total Federal Government	99,700	97,600	95,000	2,100	2.2	4,700	4.9
Total State Government	136,800	137,400	133,000	- 600	-0.4	3,800	2.9
Total Local Government	425,400	424,800	415,200	600	0.1	10,200	2.5

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1/ All industries are classified according to the Standard Industrial Classification Manual, 1972. Estimates include all full-time and part-time wage and salaried workers who were employed during the pay period including the 12th of the month, with the exception of federal employment for the Department of Defense, which is on an end-of-the-month basis. Proprietors, self-employed persons, domestic workers and military personnel of the armed forces are excluded. All data are adjusted to the first quarter 1983 benchmark levels.

2/ Includes a miscellaneous group of agricultural service establishments and establishments not elsewhere classified.

FLORIDA	Employment			Change to Current Month			
	December P 1984	November 1984	December 1983	Month Ago No.	Month Ago %	Year Ago No.	Year Ago %
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT/1	4,266,800	4,239,800	4,056,400	27,000	0.6	210,400	5.2
Manufacturing	514,800	511,300	488,000	3,500	0.7	26,800	5.5
Durable Goods	300,900	299,900	281,900	1,000	0.3	19,000	6.7
Lumber & Wood Products	26,500	26,400	25,800	100	0.4	700	2.7
Furniture & Fixtures	12,300	12,500	11,700	- 200	- 1.6	600	5.1
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	22,900	22,400	21,900	500	2.2	1,000	4.6
Primary Metal Industries	5,300	5,400	5,200	- 100	- 1.9	100	1.9
Fabricated Metal Products	33,300	33,600	33,100	- 300	- 0.9	200	0.6
Machinery, except Electrical	43,000	43,100	39,300	- 100	- 0.2	3,700	9.4
Electrical & Electronic Equip.	79,700	79,000	71,800	700	0.9	7,900	11.0
Transportation Equipment	56,100	55,800	52,000	300	0.5	4,100	7.9
Instruments & Related Products	13,700	13,500	12,600	200	1.5	1,100	8.7
Misc. Manufacturing Industries	8,100	8,200	8,500	- 100	- 1.2	- 400	- 4.7
Nondurable Goods	213,900	211,400	206,100	2,500	1.2	7,800	3.8
Food & Kindred Products	52,300	51,000	52,900	1,300	2.5	- 600	- 1.1
Preserved Fruits & Vegetables	15,400	14,700	16,400	700	4.8	- 1,000	- 6.1
Tobacco Manufacturers	2,000	2,100	2,100	- 100	- 4.8	- 100	- 4.8
Textile Mill Products	2,000	2,100	2,200	- 100	- 4.8	- 200	- 9.1
Apparel & Other Textile Products	34,500	34,700	33,900	- 200	- 0.6	600	1.8
Paper & Allied Products	15,800	15,600	15,700	200	1.3	100	0.6
Printing & Publishing	55,300	54,600	51,200	700	1.3	4,100	8.0
Chemicals & Allied Products	29,200	29,000	26,900	200	0.7	2,300	8.6
Petroleum & Coal Products	1,800	1,800	1,900	0	0.0	- 100	- 5.3
Rubber & Misc. Plastic Products	17,900	17,400	16,100	500	2.9	1,800	11.2
Leather & Leather Products	3,100	3,100	3,200	0	0.0	- 100	- 3.1
Mining	10,100	10,000	9,900	100	1.0	200	2.0
Nonmetallic Minerals (exc. Fuels)	8,600	8,400	8,500	200	2.4	100	1.2
Phosphate Rock	5,300	5,300	5,300	0	0.0	0	0.0
Construction	319,000	319,600	287,800	- 600	- 0.2	31,200	10.8
General Building Contractors	82,000	83,700	76,700	- 1,700	- 2.0	5,300	6.9
Heavy Construction Contractors	54,000	53,800	47,200	200	0.4	6,800	14.4
Special Trade Contractors	183,000	182,100	163,900	900	0.5	19,100	11.7
Transportation & Public Utilities, exc. U.S. Postal Service	233,000	233,000	232,600	0	0.0	400	0.2
Transportation	131,300	131,600	127,600	- 300	- 0.2	3,700	2.9
Railroad Transportation	9,000	8,900	9,100	100	1.1	- 100	- 1.1
Local & Interurban Passenger Transit	7,600	7,600	7,500	0	0.0	100	1.3
Trucking & Warehousing	43,700	42,900	42,000	800	1.9	1,700	4.0
Water Transportation	12,900	13,800	13,600	- 900	- 6.5	- 700	- 5.1
Transportation by Air	44,500	45,100	42,700	- 600	- 1.3	1,800	4.2
Communication, exc. U.S. Postal Service	68,700	68,600	73,900	100	0.1	- 5,200	- 7.0
Electrical, Gas, & Sanitary Serv.	33,000	32,800	31,100	200	0.6	1,900	6.1

Average Hours and Earnings in Manufacturing Industries

FLORIDA	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Dec. 1984	Nov. 1984*	Dec. 1983	Dec. 1984	Nov. 1984*	Dec. 1983	Dec. 1984	Nov. 1984*	Dec. 1983
MANUFACTURING	$326.61	$319.80	$316.92	41.5	41.0	42.2	$ 7.87	$ 7.80	$ 7.51
Durable Goods	341.48	331.43	329.47	42.9	41.9	42.9	7.96	7.91	7.68
Lumber & Wood Products	274.48	261.14	261.87	41.4	40.3	41.5	6.63	6.48	6.31
Furniture & Fixtures	237.86	225.98	222.22	40.8	39.3	37.6	5.83	5.75	5.91
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	369.29	363.15	364.00	44.6	43.7	45.5	8.28	8.31	8.00
Primary Metal Industries	399.60	390.20	361.89	43.2	43.5	44.9	9.25	8.97	8.06
Fabricated Metal Prod.	332.78	315.93	329.38	43.5	41.9	42.5	7.65	7.54	7.75
Machinery, except Electrical	354.43	345.68	346.58	42.6	41.3	43.0	8.32	8.37	8.06
Electric & Electronic Equipment	365.65	350.57	367.23	44.7	42.7	46.9	8.18	8.21	7.83
Transportation Equip.	385.93	394.05	359.86	41.1	42.6	39.2	9.39	9.25	9.18
Instruments & Related Products	312.66	313.07	310.54	40.5	40.5	40.7	7.72	7.73	7.63
Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries	262.91	226.40	240.12	42.2	40.0	42.2	6.23	5.66	5.69
Nondurable Goods	308.45	306.03	302.63	39.8	39.9	41.4	7.75	7.67	7.31
Food & Kindred Prods.	291.58	300.57	287.95	41.3	43.0	43.3	7.06	6.99	6.65
Preserved Fruits & Vegetables	298.52	295.47	285.38	43.9	44.1	44.8	6.80	6.70	6.37
Tobacco Manufactures	252.76	251.89	272.05	35.5	36.4	39.2	7.12	6.92	6.94
Apparel & Other Textiles	173.56	182.53	173.28	33.7	34.9	36.1	5.15	5.23	4.80
Paper & Allied Prods.	527.09	522.71	482.76	45.4	44.6	45.5	11.61	11.72	10.61
Printing & Publishing	334.37	332.06	335.67	38.7	38.3	40.2	8.64	8.67	8.35
Chemicals & Allied Products	437.33	397.20	434.93	42.5	39.8	43.8	10.29	9.98	9.93
Rubber & Misc. Plastic Products	249.95	244.36	249.95	42.8	41.0	42.8	5.84	5.96	5.84
NONMETALLIC MINERALS, EXCEPT FUELS	421.52	409.57	382.07	49.3	48.7	46.2	8.55	8.41	8.27
Phosphate Rock	460.92	454.34	416.35	46.0	45.8	43.1	10.02	9.92	9.66
COMMUNICATION	500.53	508.62	471.91	41.4	42.0	41.0	12.09	12.11	11.51
ELECTRIC, GAS & SANITARY SERVICES	491.40	497.51	455.87	42.0	43.0	41.9	11.70	11.57	10.88
BANKING	241.11	228.17	211.63	42.3	40.1	38.2	5.70	5.69	5.54

*Revised

Seasonally Adjusted
Nonagricultural Employment
Florida
(In Thousands)

Industry	December 1984 p	November 1984	December 1983
TOTAL	4,226.2	4,236.8	4,017.9
Mining	10.1	10.0	9.9
Construction	319.6	319.8	288.4
Manufacturing	509.6	509.1	483.0
Durable Goods	300.9	299.9	281.9
Nondurable Goods	210.7	211.2	203.0
Transportation, Communication, and Public Utilities	233.0	233.0	232.6
Trade	1,141.4	1,150.0	1,078.8
Wholesale	240.8	238.6	231.0
Retail	902.1	911.4	849.4
Eating and Drinking Places	315.0	319.2	293.2
Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate	319.2	317.1	297.6
Services	1,040.9	1,045.8	993.6
Hotels and Other Lodging Places	100.7	102.8	99.0
Health Services	272.2	271.0	267.4
Government	652.4	652.0	634.0

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Unemployment Compensation Activity
Florida

	December 1984	November 1984	December 1983
Initial Claims/1	28,720	31,700	29,111
Weeks Claimed/2	216,092	229,629	237,087
Total U.C. Payments	$18,027,128	$18,667,706	$18,426,134

1/ Regular State UI
2/ Total Intrastate + Internet

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